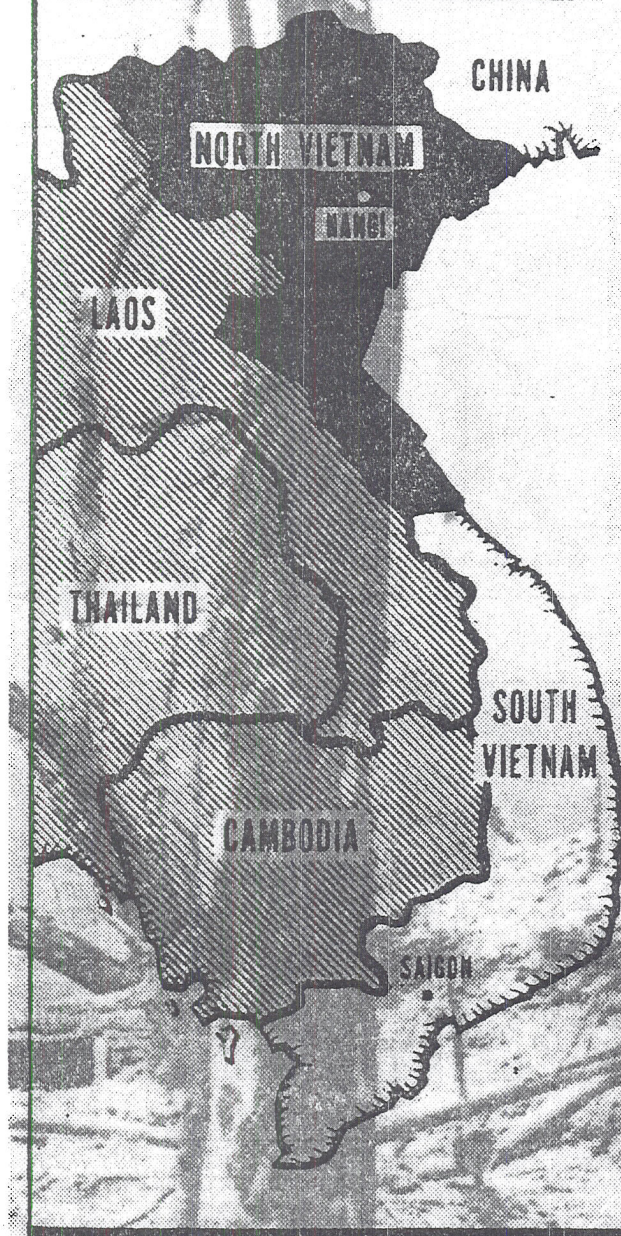


VIETNAM CHRONOLOGY



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- 1954 - FRENCH TROOPS DEPART INDOCHINA
- 1961 - FIRST U.S. SOLDIER KILLED IN S. VIETNAM
- 1963 - NGO DINH DIEM ASSASSINATED
- 1963, DEC. - U.S. FORCES IN S. VIETNAM AT 23,000
- 1964, AUG. - U.S. DESTROYERS REPORTED ATTACKED IN GULF OF TONKIN
- 1965, FEB. - U.S. BEGINS BOMBING OF N. VIETNAM, BOMBING HALTED IN MAY
- 1967, SEPT. - NGUYEN VAN THIEU ELECTED PRESIDENT OF S. VIETNAM
- 1968, MAY - PRELIMINARY PEACE TALKS BEGIN IN PARIS
- 1968, OCT. - ALL BOMBING OF N. VIETNAM ORDERED HALTED
- 1969, FEB. - U.S. TROOP STRENGTH IN S. VIETNAM AT PEAK OF 543,000
- 1969, JUNE - NIXON ANNOUNCES FIRST U.S. TROOPS TO BE PULLED OUT
- 1969, SEPT. - HO CHI MINH DIES
- 1972, APRIL - FORMAL BOMBING OF N. VIETNAM RESUMED
- 1972, MAY - U.S. BEGINS MINING, BEOCKADE OF N. VIETNAMESE PORTS
- 1973, Jan. - CEASEFIRE ANNOUNCED